CLASSIFICATION SUCREMENTAL - U.S. OFFICIALS OFFICE Approved Ratingleasi 2006/001100 ECIA FROM 82-00457 RED 9100 220 003-2 INFORMATION REPORT CD NO. CONFIDENTIAL DATE DISTR. 21 JUN 50 Yugoslavia Plans for the Development and Fortification of NO. OF PAGES 2 Boka Kotorska 25X1A NO. OF ENCLS, 25X1A Return to CLA Libra SUPPLEMENT TO REPOSTINO. 1. According to plans formulated by Yugoslav Naval Headquarters and approved by Admiral Srecko Manula, Boka Kotorska is to be converted into one of the most modern naval bases in Yugoslavia. On the basis of these plans, work was to begin in the spring of 1950. 2. The entrance to the bay will be protected from the small peninsula of Prevlaka, which is to be transformed into an artillery strong-point. A number of coast artillery guns and one battery of anti-aircraft guns have already been installed. When the fortification of this point has been completed, the peninsula will be one of the best-fortified points in the defensive system of Boka Kotorska. 3. The work of development is to be concentrated in and around Tivat, which is situated on the bay itself and is surrounded by high rocky cliffs. About six large emplacements for anti-aircraft guns are to be built on these cliffs. Work has already begun on expansion of the existing arsenal, which is to be twice as large as it is at present. Two dry-docks, weighing 2,500 tons each, are to be built in the shipyard, 4. A modern naval base is also to be built at Tivat, and will be entirely equipped with modern installations. Large warehouses, ammunition depots, and a large gasoline depot are to be built in the harbor area. According to the prescribed plans, this work is to be completed by the end of 1951. 5. A large submarine base, to accommodate about 20 submarines of light tonnage, will be constructed at Sv. Marko Island, located in the bay close to Tivat. Submarines engaged in operations in the southern Adriatic will be based here. The original plan for this base was formulated by Soviet officers who were operating out of Boka Kotorska in 1947 and found that the natural position of the island lent itself to such a plan. The civil population will be evacuated, and the island will become a purely military area. Several wharves will be constructed, as well as a large petroleum depot to refuel the submarines. In addition, torpedo depots and warehouses will be erected, as well as workshops for repairs. The work was to start in the spring of 1950 and be completed by the end of 1952. CLASSIFICATION ON ELIZEMENT LA DISTRIBUTION NSRB NAVY E 0 5X1 This document is hereby regraded to CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with the Class. letter of 16 October 1978 from the Director of Central Intelligence to the Date: Archivist of the United States 2006/01 10 : CIA-RDP82-00457R005100220003-2 Next Review Date: 2008

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- 6. A naval base and port facilities are also to be built at Hercegnovi during 1950. The town is connected with Cavtat and Dubrovnik by a narrow-gauge railroad line which, in accordance with the Five Year Plan, is to be replaced by a standard-gauge track.
- 7. Kumbor will also be modernized and expanded. The existing hydroplane base, which accommodates about 15 aircraft, will be enlarged to the point where it can accommodate about 80 hydroplanes by the spring of 1951. Several new hangars and a fully-equipped workshop will be erected, and two electrically-operated cranes to lift the hydroplanes out of the water will be installed on the pier. In addition, it is planned to construct a large and modern hydroplane factory and to establish a training school for officer and non-commissioned officer pilots. The expansion of Kumbor was scheduled to start in the spring of 1950.
- 8. Prcanj, located on the inlet close to the town of Kotor, will be the site of a new shippard which will engage exclusively in the construction of torpedo boats. The work has already been started and several objectives completed.

Comment: A plan of the area and projected construction is available upon request.

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